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News Release

Citizen Police Academy Graduation

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The Harrisonburg Police Department will soon graduate another group of local residents.

In the beginning of March, 24 individuals started their first session with the Harrisonburg Police Department's Citizen Police Academy.

Nine weeks later, these same citizens have a broader perspective of what life is like as an HPD police officer and the different responsibilities of the Department.

This evening at a ceremony, these participants will graduate from the Citizen Police Academy.

"Our goal for each student is to provide a better understanding of the roles of a police officer, the different functions within the Department, and for the participants to share that knowledge within the community," said Community Resource Officer Rachel Hammer.

This will complete the 17th year this program has been offered by the Department.

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